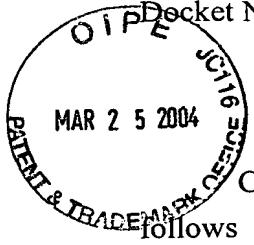


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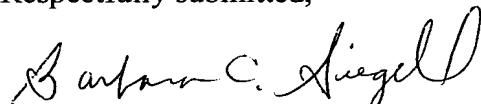
Claims 1 – 22 are in the application and have been restricted under 35 USC 121 as follows

- I 1 – 9
- II 10 – 19
- III 20 – 22

Applicant elects to prosecute group 1, claims 1 – 9, without traverse.

If anything further is required to advance allowance of this application, the Examiner is requested to contact applicant's attorney at the telephone number below.

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